

The Haug Quantum Wave Equation Combined with Pauli Operator

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Abstract

In this short note we will show the Haug-1 quantum wave equation in relation to where we incorporate spin following the Pauli route. This lead to a similar equation to the Schrödinger-Pauli equation, but our equation is relativistic while the Schrödinger-Pauli equation is non-relativistic, our equation is also simpler in terms of for example the time and space are on the same order (first derivatives), while in the Schrödinger-Pauli equation time is on first order and spatial-spin dimensions on second order. Comments are welcome.

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1 Haug equation following the Pauli Route

The Haug-1 wave-equation [1] is given by

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = (-ci\hbar \nabla + V) \psi \quad (1)$$

where V is the potential energy, and $-i\hbar \nabla$ is the kinetic Compton momentum operator.

The Hamiltonian operator in our new wave equation when following the route of Pauli will be

$$\hat{H} = c\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot (\mathbf{p}_k - q\mathbf{A}) + q\phi \quad (2)$$

Because incorporation of the Pauli operator the Hamilton operator is now a 2×2 matrix. The Pauli operator $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = (\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3)$ is formed by Pauli matrixes:

$$\sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

so the Haug equation can then be re-written as

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\psi\rangle = -c\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot (\mathbf{p}_k - q\mathbf{A}) |\psi\rangle - q\phi |\psi\rangle \quad (4)$$

Where $|\psi\rangle$ is a two-component spinor wave function or a coulum vector $|\psi\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_+ \\ \psi_- \end{pmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{p}_k = i\hbar \nabla$ is the kinetic Compton momentum operator, and \mathbf{A} is the the magnetic vector potential and ϕ the electric scalar potential. Equation 4 can be seen as a parallell to the Schrödinger-Pauli equation [2, 3], but this equation is relativistic while the Schrödinger-Pauli equation is non-relativistic. This equation is also in general simpler, as time and space dimensions are of the same derivatives order, while in the Schrödinger-Pauli equation the time derivative is of first order and the space dimension of second order (derivatives).

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